

ON THE INSIDE —

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Aldermen Junk Town's One-Way Streets

Change To Two-Way Traffic Will Take Place August 15

In a surprise move Monday night, aldermen voted to junk Franklin's one-way street system and return to two-way streets effective August 15.

The vote to make the change was unanimous and came following the appearance of a delegation of Palmer Street merchants wanting Palmer changed to two-way traffic.

Aldermen decided that changing Palmer Street would work a business hardship on Main Street merchants, so they voted to change the whole system. The motion was made by Dr. J. W. Kahn and was seconded by Frank L. Henry, Jr.

Only one street will remain one-way. This is Patton, the short street connecting Palmer and Main from the Franklin Laundry to the post office. It was one-way before the change.

A controversial matter since they were first started on a trial basis in early 1957, the one-way streets nevertheless got an unofficial blessing from an overwhelming number of Franklin voters during the '57 biennial election. At that time, voters were handed a referendum ballot and they voted 435 in favor of the one-way system and 249 against.

Since then, there have been periodic grumbings about the one-way system, particularly from merchants along Palmer Street.

Members of the Palmer Street delegation attending Monday's meeting included T. H. Callahan, Ralph Womack, Grover Jamison, Jr., Roy Cunningham, Mrs. Glenn Holt, and Marshall Pettis.

In other business, the board gave final approval to the 1960-61 budget of \$171,939.77. The budget earmarks a total of \$26,000 for improvements and extensions to the water and sewer systems. The tax increase voted this year gives \$8,897.53 for this and the raise in water and sewer rates recently voted provides \$10,000 more.

Approved a motion by Dr. Kahn to prohibit merchants placing merchandise on the sidewalks for display.

Discussed obtaining T. V. A. help (spraying by airplane) on the mosquito problem along the Little Tennessee River.

Traded Wayah Street to the State Highway Commission for Iotia Street. Wayah is heavily traveled and is used by the state as a truck route for US 23-441. Maintenance on Iotia will be considerably less.

Mayor W. C. Burrell also re-appointed the same water and sewer committees for '60-'61. On the water committee are Aldermen Dryman, Kahn, and Bryant. Serving on the sewer committee are Aldermen Cagle, Shook, and Henry.

RICKMAN REUNION
The annual Rickman reunion will be held Sunday, August 7, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carr Bryson in the Cowee community. All descendants of Merritt Rickman are invited to come and bring a picnic lunch.

IN RALEIGH
Mr. and Mrs. W. A. (Bill) Cox and family have returned from Raleigh, where Mr. Cox attended the 1960 North Carolina Governor's Conference on Aging.

The Weather

The week's temperature and rainfall below are recorded in Franklin by Manton Stiles, U. S. weather observer; in Highlands by Taylor N. Hall and W. C. Newton, TVA observers; and at the Coweta Hydrologic Laboratory. Readings are for the 24-hour period ending at 8 a.m. of the day listed.

	High	Low	Rain
Franklin			
Wed., July 27	85	65	.15
Thursday	78	59	.16
Friday	86	62	.27
Saturday	84	60	.00
Sunday	88	59	.00
Monday	89	60	.00
Tuesday	89	65	.00
Wednesday	86	64	trace
COWETA			
Wed., July 27	82	65	1.23
Thursday	85	59	.08
Friday	76	57	.00
Saturday	84	55	.17
Sunday	81	56	.04
Monday	86	58	.00
Tuesday	87	60	.00
Wednesday	86	59	.00
HIGHLANDS			
Wed., July 27	70	64	*
Thursday	68	60	*
Friday	76	60	*
Saturday	80	53	*
Sunday	82	54	*
Monday	78	61	*
Tuesday	80	62	*

* no record



IT'LL BE interesting to see how long it takes motorists to get used to two-way streets again.

THAT NEW bowling alley is beginning to jell. A stock sale is about ready to begin. The whole undertaking will run in the neighborhood of \$250,000 before it's over.

YOU HAVEN'T lived until you've had some of that good beef and pork barbecue cooked up by the F. F. A. boys. So, extend your life and go to the barbecue supper Saturday night at the vocational building at Franklin High prior to the folk festival.

THIS IS the season of the year when waist lines begin expanding. Why? What else but all of that food at family reunions!

THEY'VE COMPLETED some work on the cave at the back of the county courthouse. Some still think the best idea is to lift the chimneys and slip a new courthouse under them.

WATER STILL collects in the culvert at the foot of Town Hill. A couple of cars stalled out because of it during a rain last week.

ONE OF the most rewarding experiences of the summer will be attending the flower show next Wednesday in the high school cafeteria. Try it and see for yourself.

THE MACON County Folk Festival is one of the few attractions left in the country that can be seen for a quarter. Folks say the show is worth four times that, or more, but the Jaycees keep the admission low so everyone can get in.

BOB CARPENTER was assistant coach of the Little League All-Stars, not coach as we had in the paper last week. The coach is Jim Williamson, and a dandy job he has done!

LOT OF ice cream lickin' going on up and down the street. Must be the hot weather.

IF IT'S good entertainment you're after at almost no cost at all, then the Macon County Folk Festival this Thursday, Friday, and Saturday nights is right up your alley.

Footballers

Attention!

Football practice is scheduled to get under way at Franklin High Tuesday.

Coach Dick Stott asks members of the variety squad to report Monday at 8 a. m. at the gymnasium. Freshmen should report Monday at 1 p. m.

what's doing?

JAYCEES: First Monday, Zickgraf's Lumber Co., Third Monday, Dillard House, Dillard, Ga., 7:00 p.m.

ROTARY: Every Thursday, 7 p. m., Slagle Memorial Building.

LIONS: Second and fourth Mondays, 7 p. m., Slagle Memorial Building.

JUNIOR WOMAN'S CLUB: Fourth Monday, 7:30 p. m., Agricultural Building.

V. F. W.: Second and fourth Wednesdays, 8 p. m., V. F. W. Post Home on Palmer Street.

V. F. W. Auxiliary: Second Monday nights, 8 p. m., at post home.

AMERICAN LEGION: Third Tuesday, 7:30 p. m., Slagle Memorial Building.

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN'S CLUB: Fourth Tuesday at 7 p. m., at the Normandie.

Tuesday: Football practice starts at Franklin High.



Principals in the dedication of the Patton Methodist Church Sunday were (L to R) the pastor, the Rev. Garland Young, the Rev. Frank C. Smathers, district superintendent, Dr. L. B. Hayes, and Erwin Patton. For details of the program and visitors, see Patton community column inside this issue. (Staff Photo)

EVENT OPENS TONIGHT — Folk Festival Goers To Get A Double Exposure Of Stars

Those attending the three-night Macon County Folk Festival this week will be treated to a double exposure of stars. Beginning tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock, the festival will be held under the stars (first exposure) in the Franklin High Stadium and a variety of stars (second exposure) in the local entertainment world will be featured.

An informally run show that generally attracts thousands of Maconians and visitors, the festival is now in its eighth year and the sponsoring Jaycees report the '60 edition is stacking up as the best yet. Shows will begin each night at 8 o'clock.

At least three square dance teams will appear, as well as string bands and individual country musicians and singers.

Providing music for dance teams and other specialty acts will be Hunter Young's "Ruby Ramblers", a local strong band that took first place in last year's Apple Festival in Hendersonville.

In addition to Hunter, who plays the guitar and sings, members are Floyd Lamb, fiddler, and Frank Ammons, mandolin. Another festival favorite, hot fiddler Mickey Waldrop, promises to be on hand "if my shoe strings don't break and the creek don't rise."

"The Carolina Cutups", a dance team from the Holly Springs Square Dance Center, plans to perform all three nights, giving exhibitions of both square and pattern dances.

Square dance teams registered include the Dixie Darlings, who are scheduled to perform tonight; the Ruby Ramblers, who'll dance Friday night; and the Promettes and the Carson Cloggers, groups trapped for appearances Saturday night.

A new string band organized just for this year's festival is made up of banjo picker Todd Reece, electric guitarist Judd Anderson, bass player Grady Anderson, and rhythm guitarist Hugh Dowdle.

Spoon player Jimmy Smith and festival regulars Shorty Kirkland and Hayes Carver, with their homemade banjos, also will be on hand.

Several buck dancers and other entertainers have registered in advance and many more are expected to show up before things get rolling tonight.

Another string band, the Ruby Valley Boys, features Roy Ramsey, Roy Donaldson, Clifton Pendergrass, and L. R. Mason.

Silers To Gather Saturday For Year's Family Meeting

Silers from near and far will gather here Saturday for their annual "family meeting".

The oldest continuous reunion in Macon County (they've met for more than 100 years without break), this year's gathering will be at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Slagle, on Moore's Creek.

Baptists Set 57th Meeting Next Week

First Church And Ridgecrest Are '60 Hosts

First Baptist Church and Ridgecrest Baptist Church will be hosts to the 57th annual session of the Macon Baptist Association next Thursday and Friday, August 11 and 12.

Thursday's session will be at First church and Friday's at Ridgecrest.

The program will consist of reports on all phases of Baptist work in the 42 churches of the association and the work of the state and Southern conventions. Inspirational messages will be delivered by both local and out-of-town speakers.

Delivering the annual sermon on the opening day will be the Rev. Lewis Howard, pastor of the Holly Springs church and the association's chairman of evangelism. The Rev. Paul Sorrels, pastor of the Ridgecrest church, will bring the doctrinal message the next day.

Representing the N. C. Baptist State Convention on the opening day will be the Rev. R. T. Greene, director of the Southern Baptist Protection Plan. He will speak at the morning session.

Among those representing Baptist institutions in the state will be Dr. W. K. McGee, of Baptist Hospital in Winston-Salem; Dr. W. A. Poole, Homes for Aging, Winston-Salem; J. Marse Grant, editor of THE '45000 'REPRODUCTION' TOWNSHIP; the Rev. W. R. Wagoner, Baptist Children's Home, Thomasville; and Claude Gaddy, Council on Christian Education, Raleigh.

J. C. Jacobs will be moderator at the two-day session.

A Boy's Best Friend Is His Turtle . . .

Tommy Crawford took a turtle to the National Boy Scout Jamboree in Colorado Springs.

He planned to trade the turtle for items brought by other Scouts.

Tommy returned home this week, bringing the turtle with him.

He said he didn't meet anyone he felt would give his turtle a suitable home.

UNDER JUDGE M'LEAN — Unusual Judgments Mark Superior Court Session

August term of Superior Court in Macon County has produced several rather unusual judgments and a new kind of court conduct under presiding Judge W. G. McLean, a newcomer to this circuit, in the first two days of this session, which opened Monday.

Disposition of cases has moved along rapidly under Judge McLean and District Solicitor Glenn W. Brown, with a number of speeding cases involving out-of-state offenders, who chose not to show up for trial and have been "called and failed" by Sheriff J. Harry Thomas, thereby forfeiting their cash bonds.

Some changes in conduct of the court under Judge McLean include requiring all testifying officers to appear in regulation uniforms, or coat and tie; not allowing spectators in the courtroom to leave except during court recesses; and the judge's setting of fines which include court costs instead of the more common method of ordering a fine plus court costs.

Several judgments have indicated Judge McLean's expressed belief that it is better to render sentences which tend to rehabilitate offenders than just to punish them.

Two such judgments showed this: in one case against a high school student for reckless driving, the judge inspected the student's report card from last year and then placed the young man under a 60 day suspended sentence with the stipulation that he observe a 9 o'clock curfew each night between now and the next term of court in December and that he maintain a B average in his school work up to that time. His fine will be \$50 instead

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— HE HAS WRITTEN A BOOK — Jones Does What Others Dream About

Macon County's Weimar Jones has done something every newspaperman dreams of, but somehow never quite gets around to doing.

He has written a book — one as entertaining and as colorful as the author's years in newspapering. Appropriately, it is entitled "My Affair With a Weekly". The book goes on sale Saturday at THE FRANKLIN PRESS at \$2.75 per copy.

Although a collection of personal columns written by the veteran newspaperman since he returned to his native Macon County in 1945 to run the local newspaper, the book nevertheless weaves a strong thread of love between county editor Weimar Jones and his mountains and people. He refers to them as "letters FROM the editor".

Some of the columns are humorous, some serious, and all the author explains in the forward, "were never written out of a sense of duty, as a chore, but always because I wanted to write them."

Each well-chosen column serves to bring out a facet of this widely-known country editor's personality.

His honesty with his readers is mirrored in one entitled "How to Write an Editorial". In it he recalls the week the editorial page of THE PRESS appeared blank, devoid of writing save for a single paragraph of explanation: "In the course of a number of



Editor Jones . . . Book Published

(Staff Photo)



VISITING CLUB

Russell Hanson, governor of the 767th district of Rotary International, will make an official visit to the Franklin Rotary Club tonight (Thursday) at the club's 7 o'clock dinner meeting at Slagle Memorial Building. Mr. Hanson is from Statesville. He will discuss the local club's projects, how Rotary can be more effective in the community, the part Rotary can play in individual businesses and professions, and also the important need the Franklin club fills in Rotary's vast foreign exchange student program.

Flower Show Is Scheduled

"One Summer Day" is the theme for the Franklin Garden Club's annual flower show next Wednesday, August 10, in the high school cafeteria.

Show hours will be from 2 to 9 p.m. The general chairman is Mrs. Prelo Dryman and Mrs. William Dinnes is co-chairman.

Judging is scheduled in the morning by qualified judges. Anyone is eligible to exhibit in the show.

Featured in the show will be the junior garden club section; blooming and foliage plants; an educational exhibit of gesneriads; annuals and perennials; flower arrangements; dahlias, roses, and lilies; a conservation exhibit; and native ferns.

CUBA TOPIC

The Women's Society of Christian Service of the Franklin Methodist Church will meet in general session Thursday, August 11, at 2 p. m. in the fellowship hall of the church. Mrs. Frank L. Tucker will be guest speaker. Her topic will be "Cuba".